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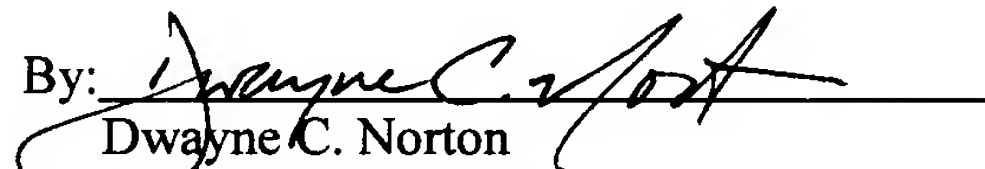
- (1) Jang, U.S. Patent No. 6,129,872, issued October 10, 2000;
- (2) Chen, U.S. Patent No. 5,948,449, issued September 7, 1999;
- (3) Kosman, U.S. Patent No. 5,612,064, issued March 18, 1997;
- (4) Beck, U.S. Patent No. 4,728,475, issued March 1, 1988;
- (5) Hill, U.S. Patent No. 4,259,277, issued March 31, 1981;
- (6) Hyytinen, U.S. Patent No. 4,229,156, issued October 21, 1980;
- (7) Hyytinen, U.S. Patent No. 4,178,340, issued December 11, 1979;
- (8) Manners et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,094,941, issued June 13, 1978;
- (9) Drosthholm et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,035,128, issued July 12, 1977;
- (10) Salts, U.S. Patent No. 3,939,238, issued February 17, 1976;
- (11) Matthaei, U.S. Patent No. 3,832,431, issued August 27, 1974;
- (12) Salts, U.S. Patent No. 3,799,716, issued March 26, 1974;
- (13) Kiyono et al., U.S. Patent No. 3,715,420, issued February 6, 1973;
- (14) Hall et al., U.S. Patent No. 3,706,825, issued December 19, 1972;
- (15) Duggins, U.S. Patent No. 3,528,131, issued September 15, 1970;
- (16) Soissa, U.S. Patent No. 2,460,605, issued February 1, 1949;
- (17) Hilgendorf, U.S. Patent No. 1,783,287, issued December 2, 1930;
- (18) Grumman, U.S. Patent No. 1,200,489, issued October 10, 1916;
- (19) Thomas, U.S. Patent No. 1,159,878, issued November 9, 1915; and
- (20) Hall, U.S. Patent No. 145,345, issued December 9, 1873.

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Applicants consider the invention to be distinguishable over the above-cited documents.

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